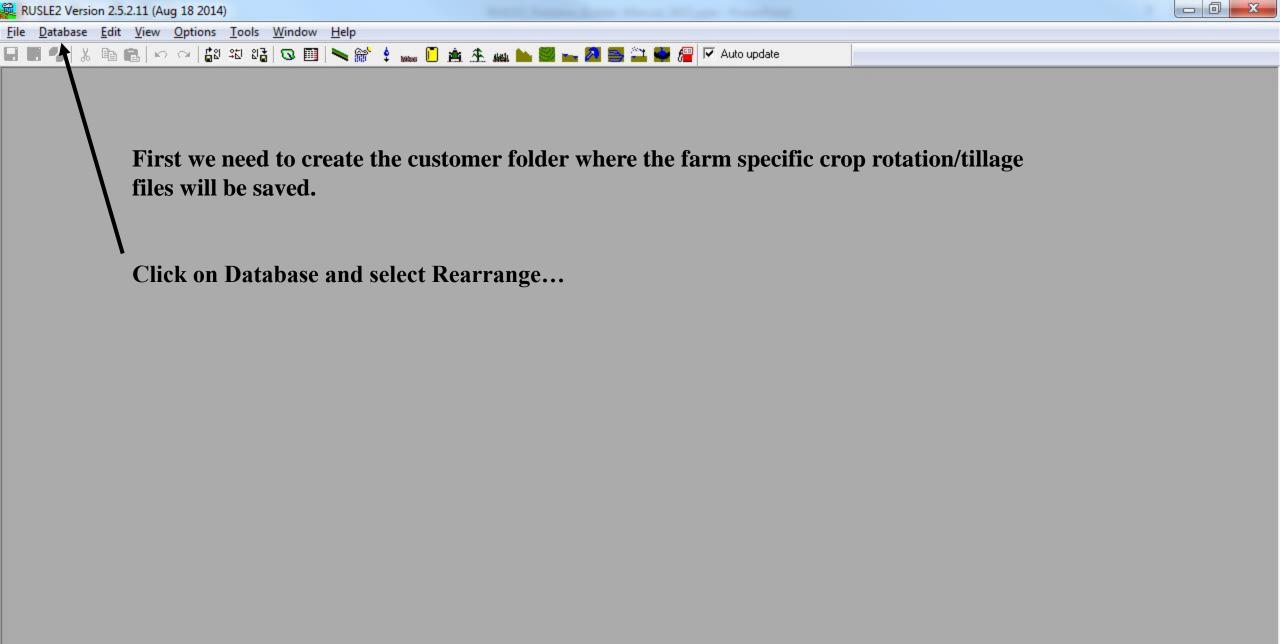
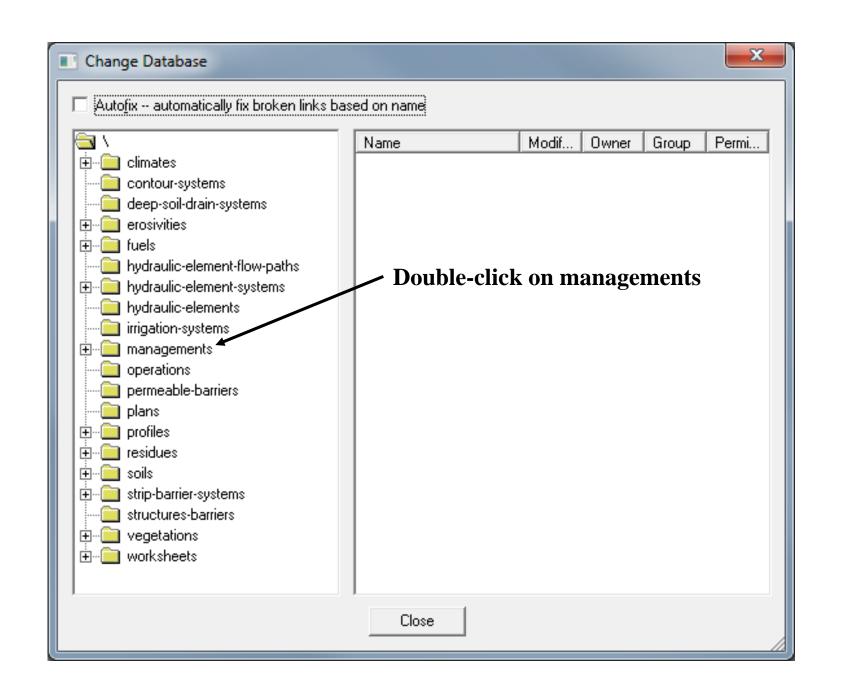
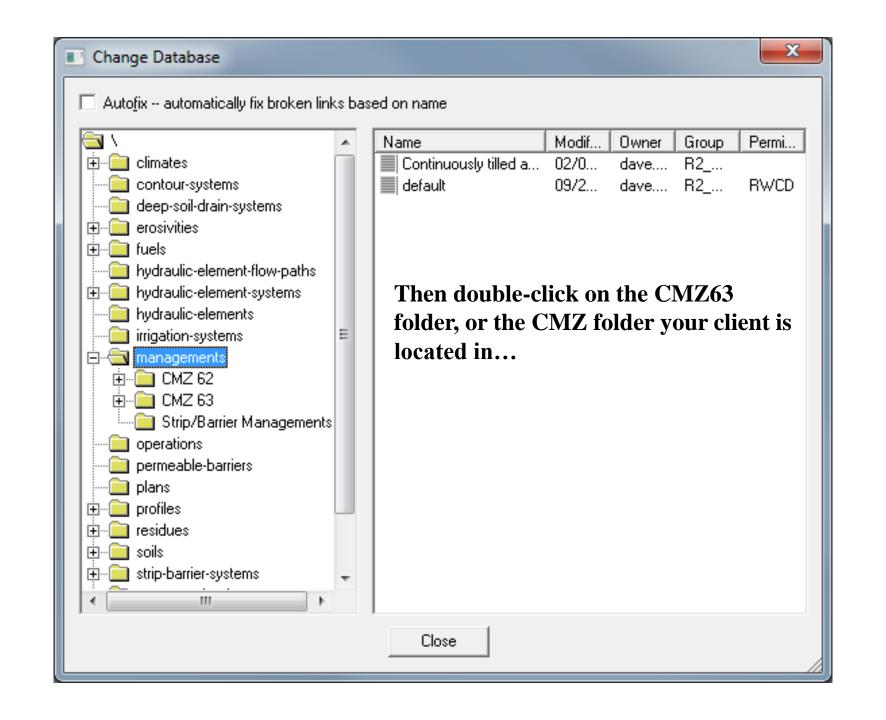
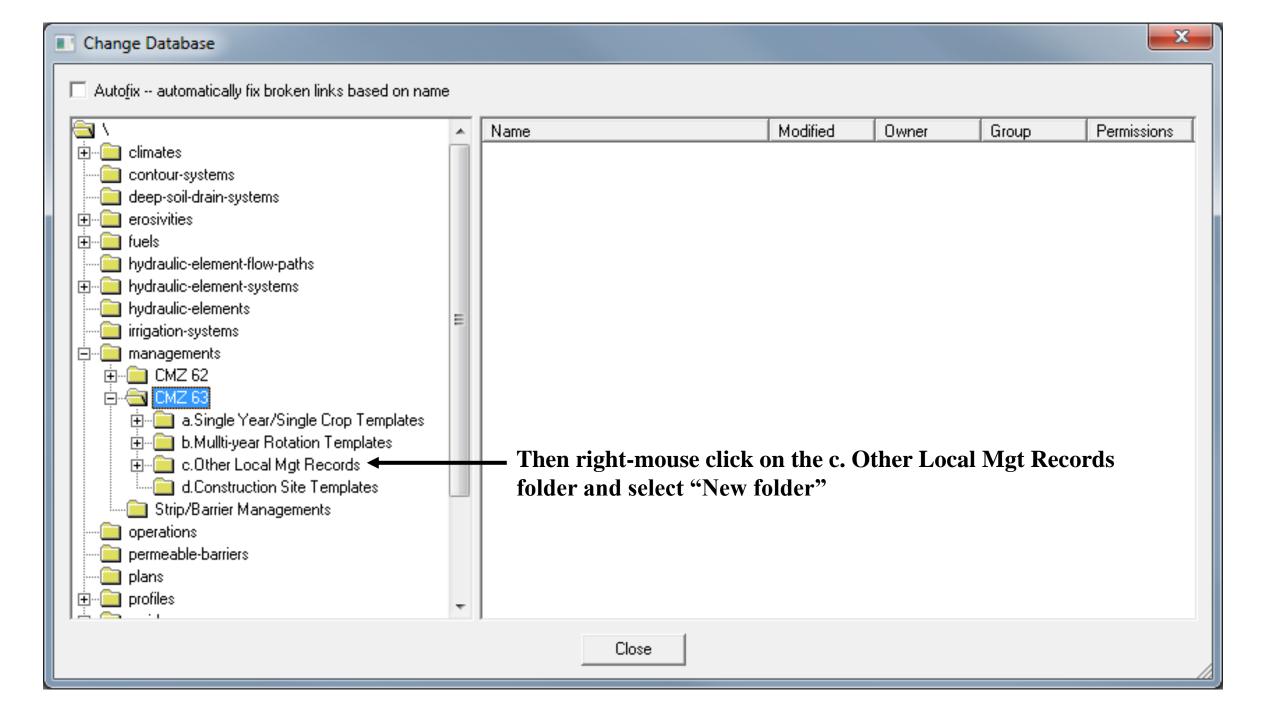
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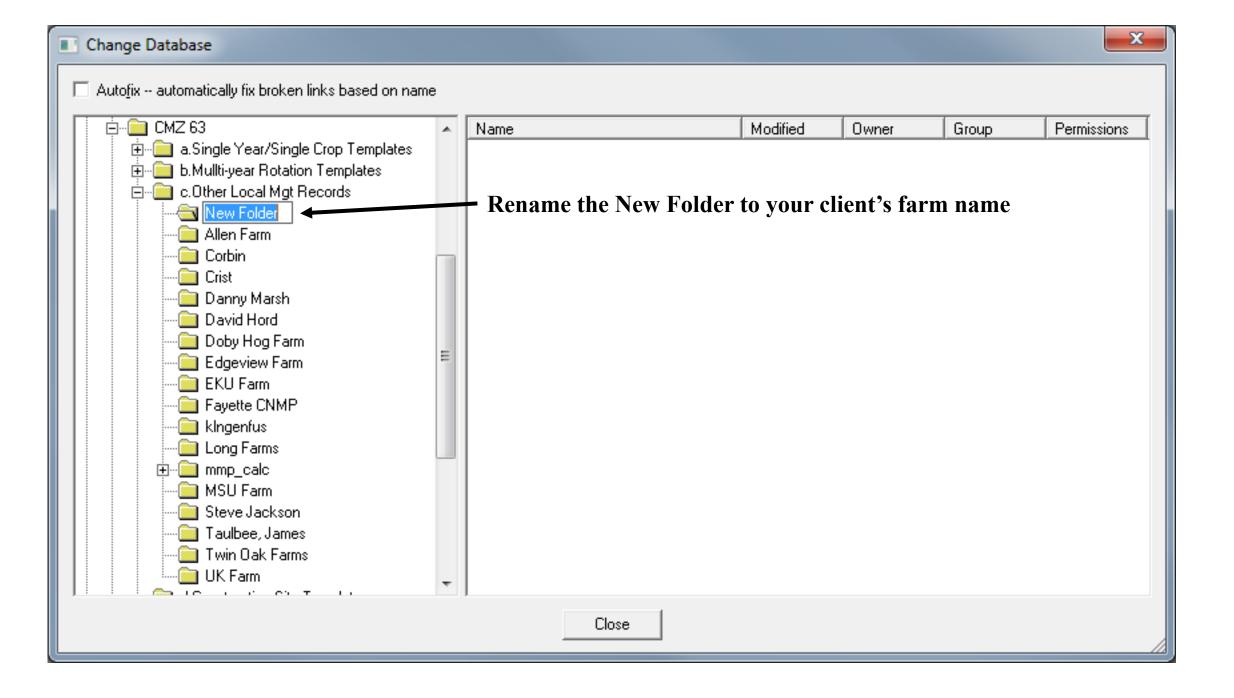


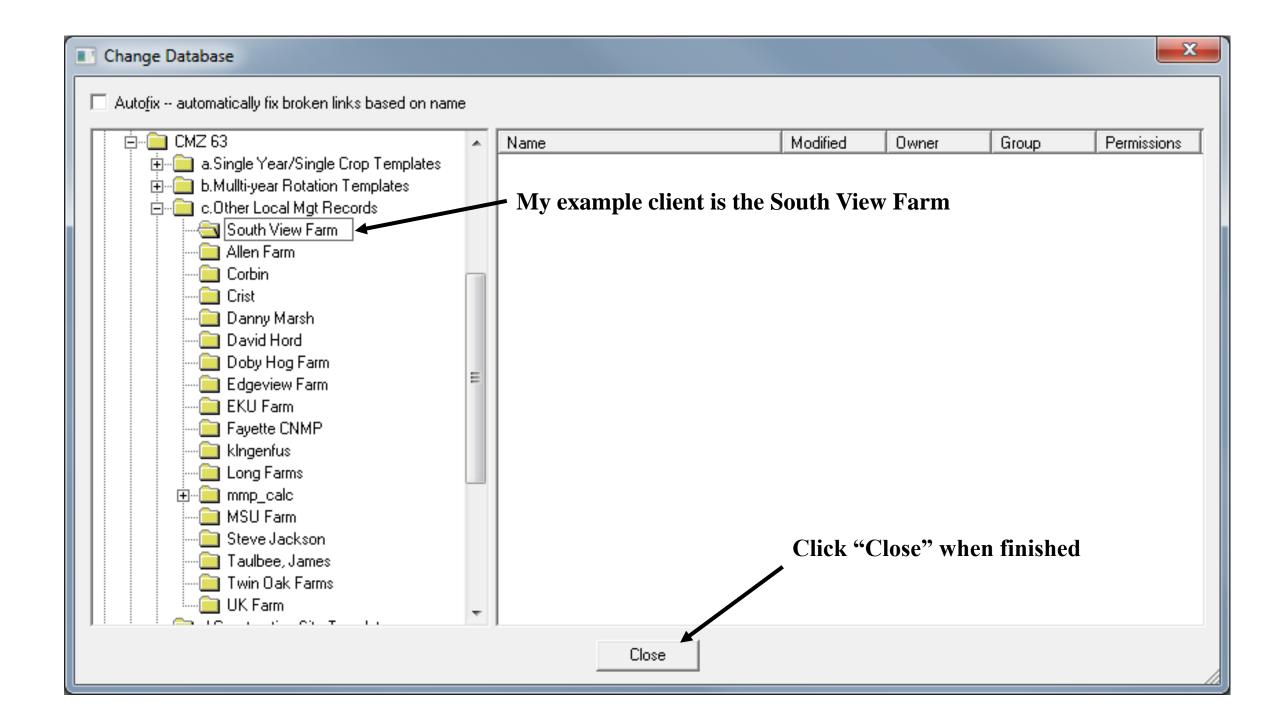










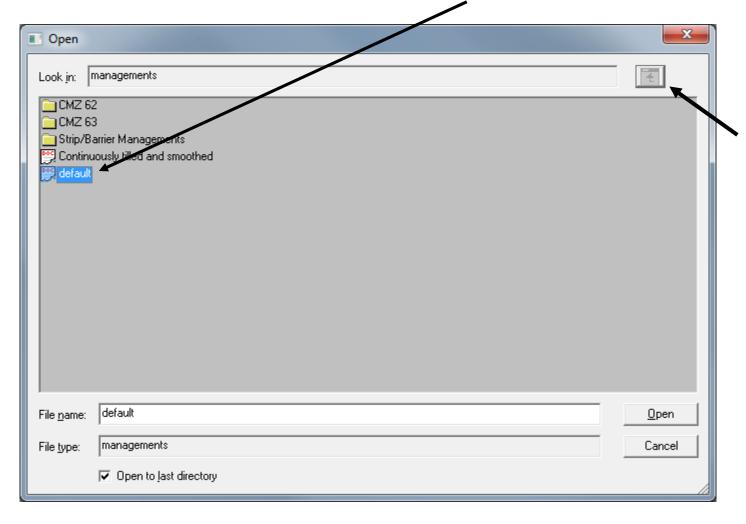




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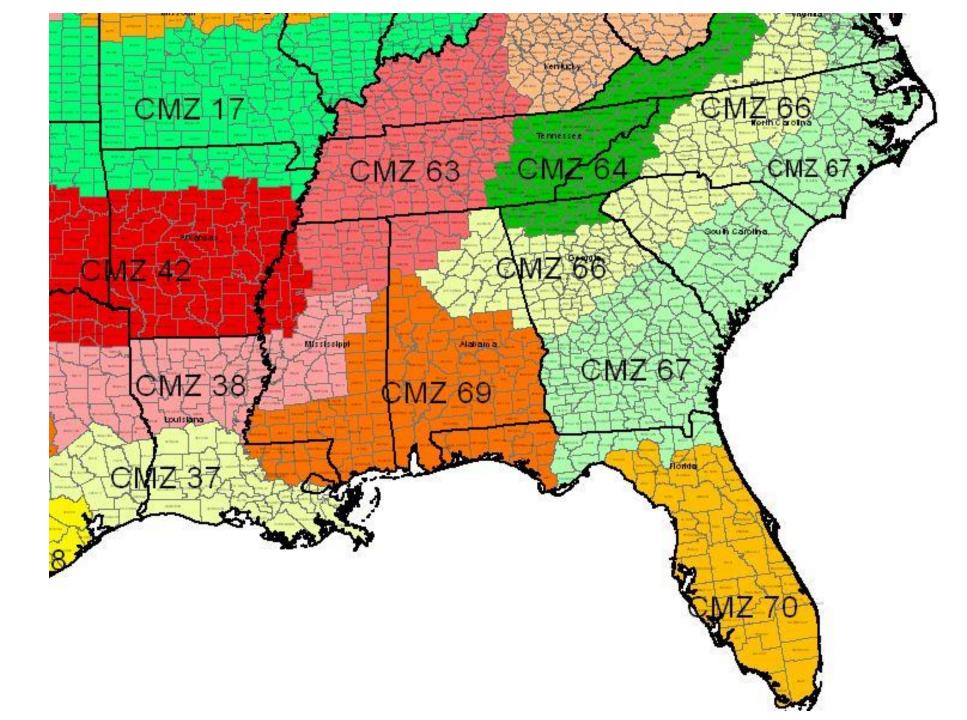
We are going to build a crop rotation of corn silage followed by winter wheat haylage. The tillage for the corn silage is spring tandem disk followed by a spike tooth harrow and the winter wheat is no-till drilled into the corn silage stubble.

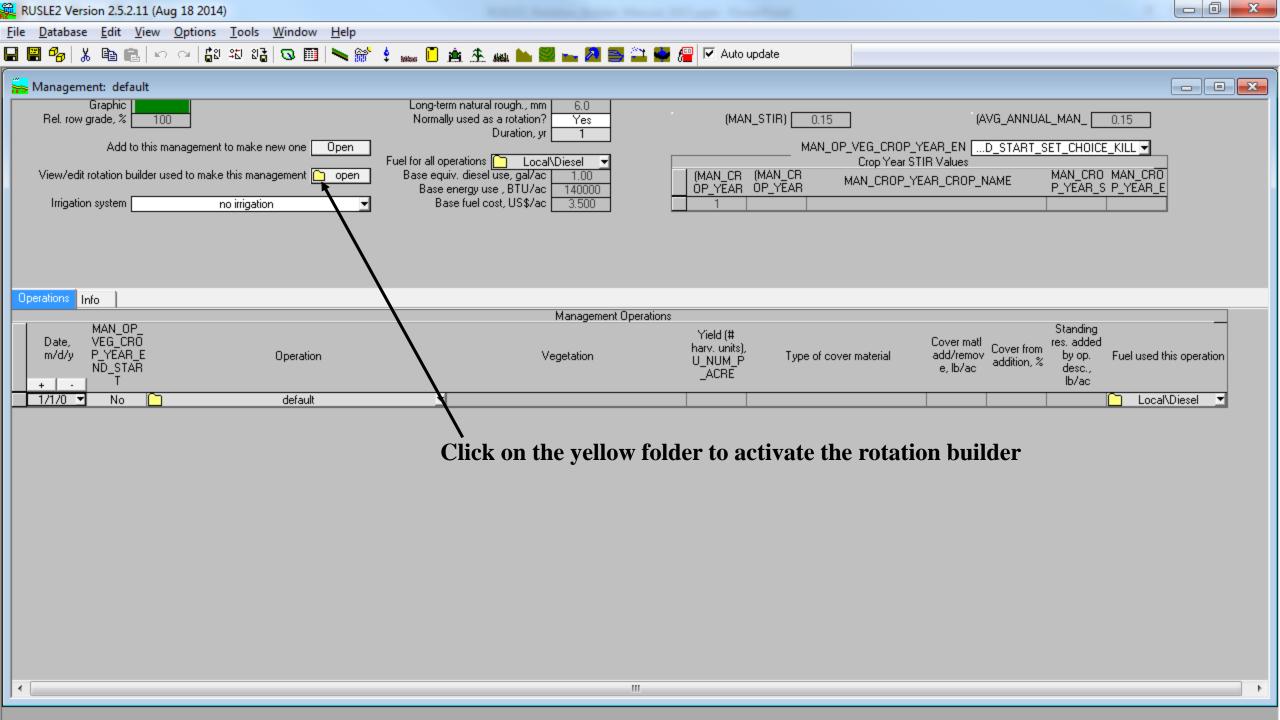
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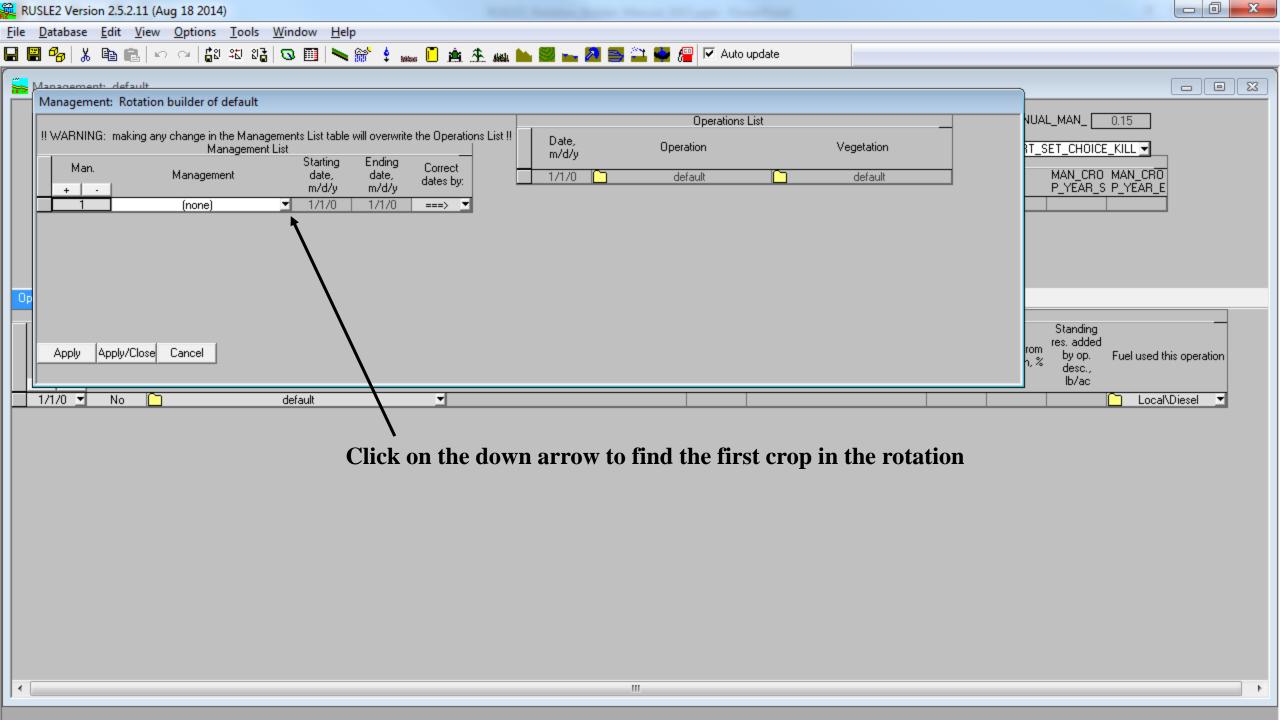


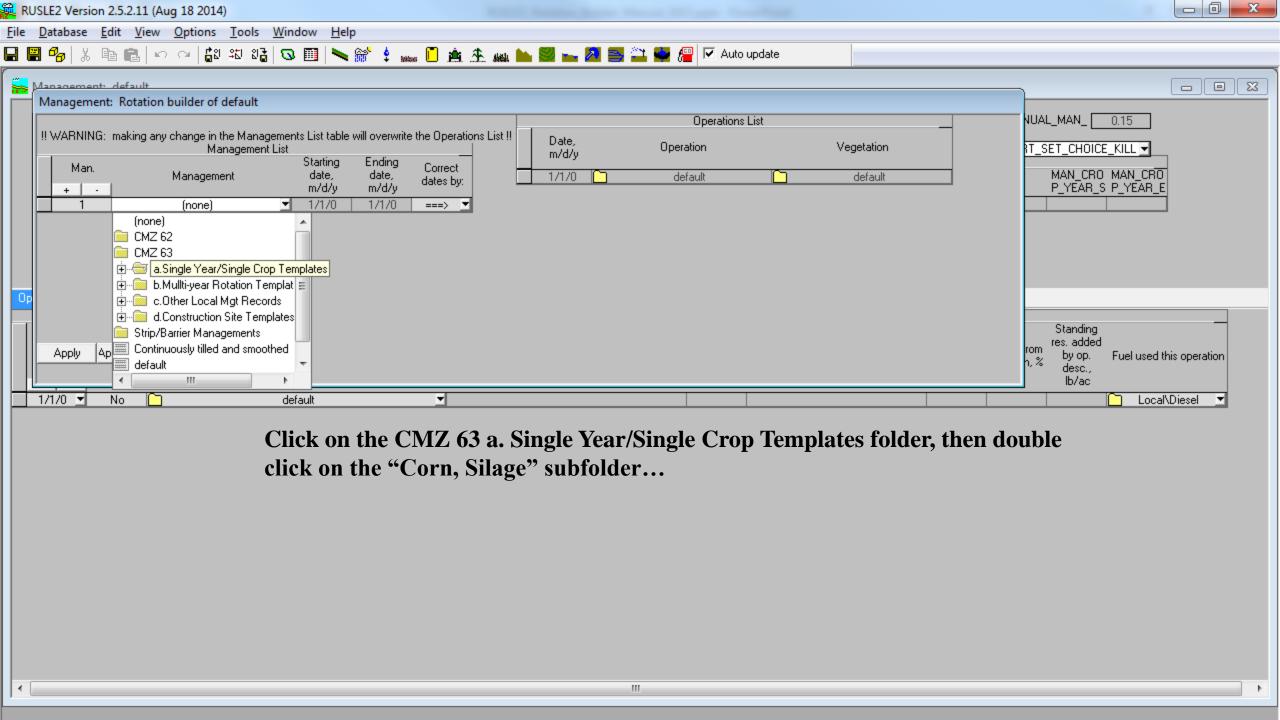
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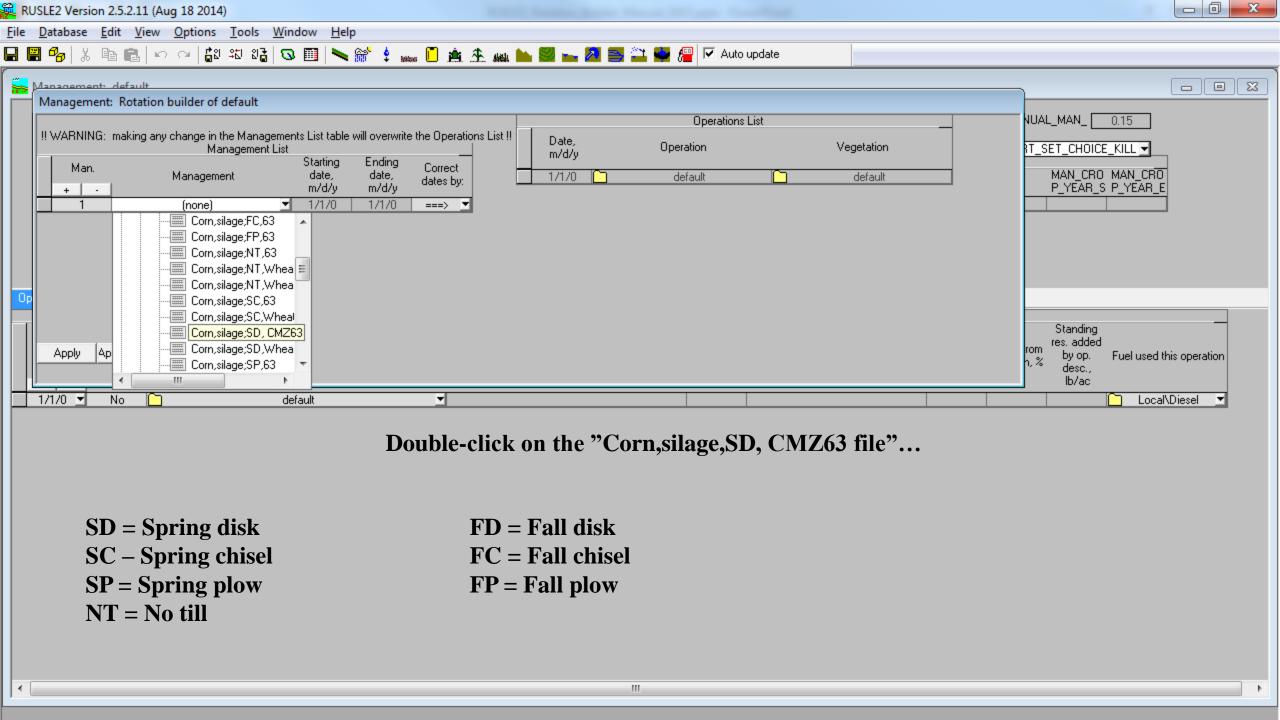
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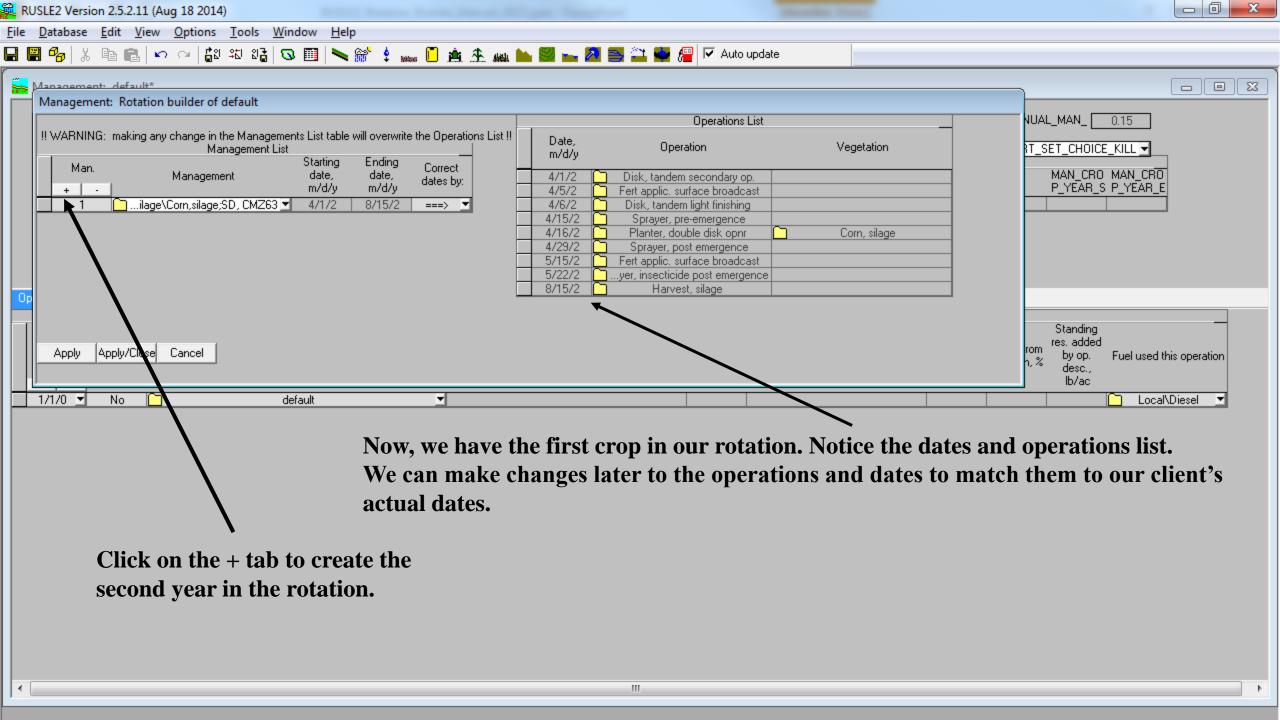


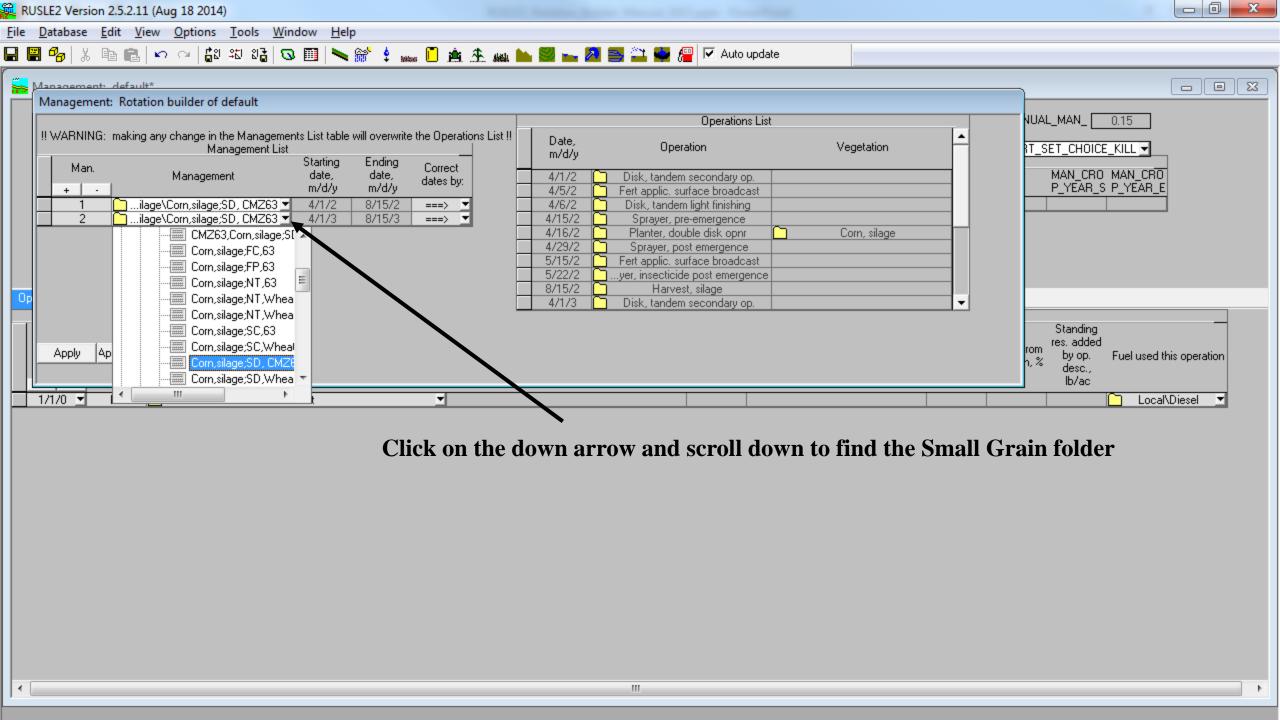


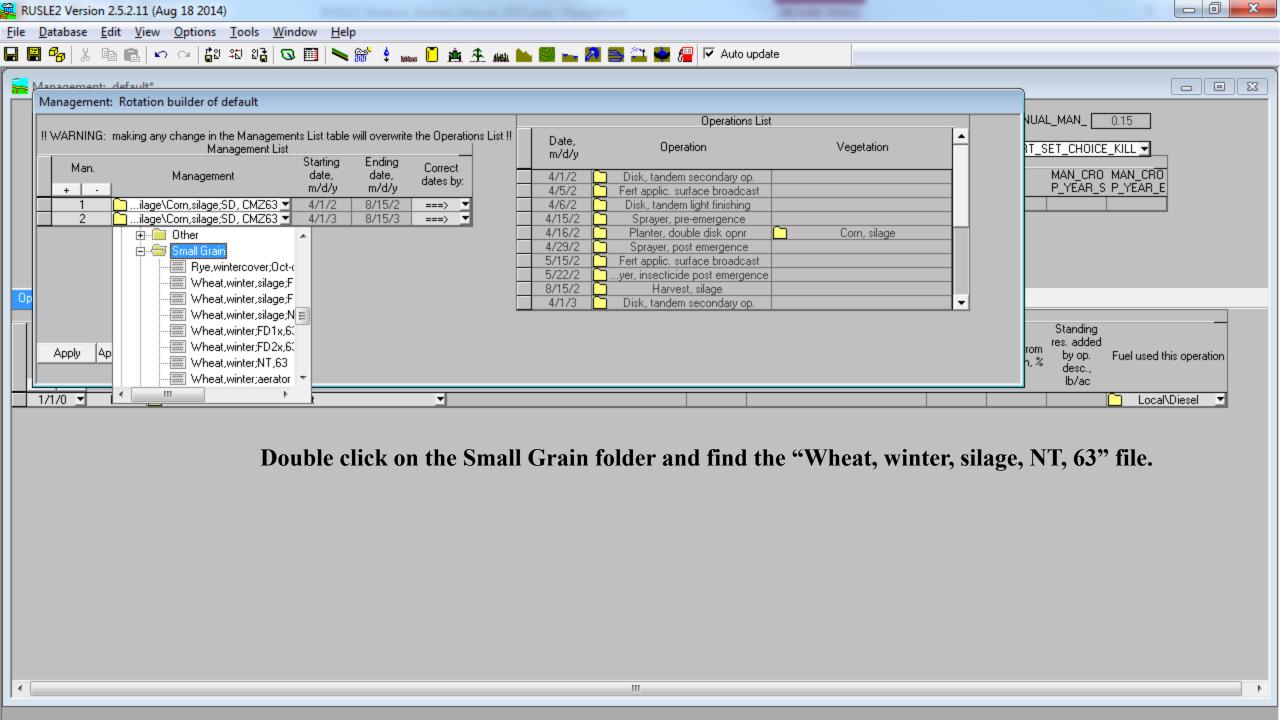


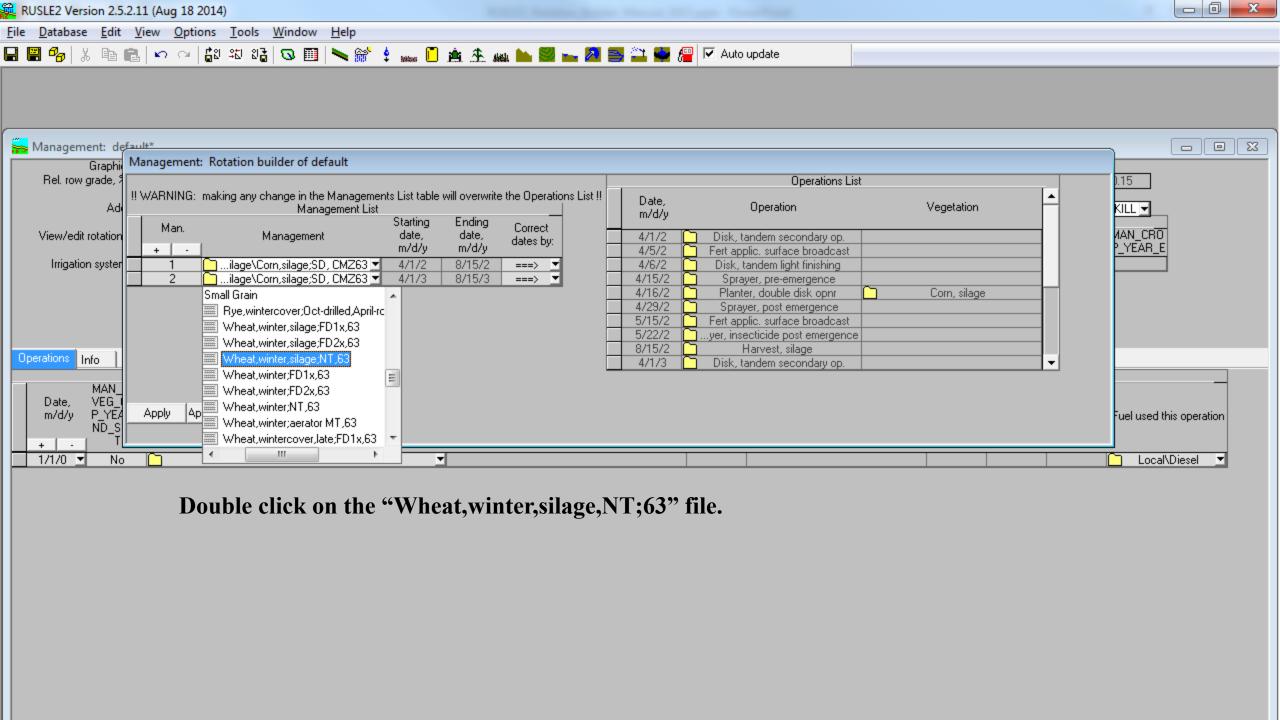


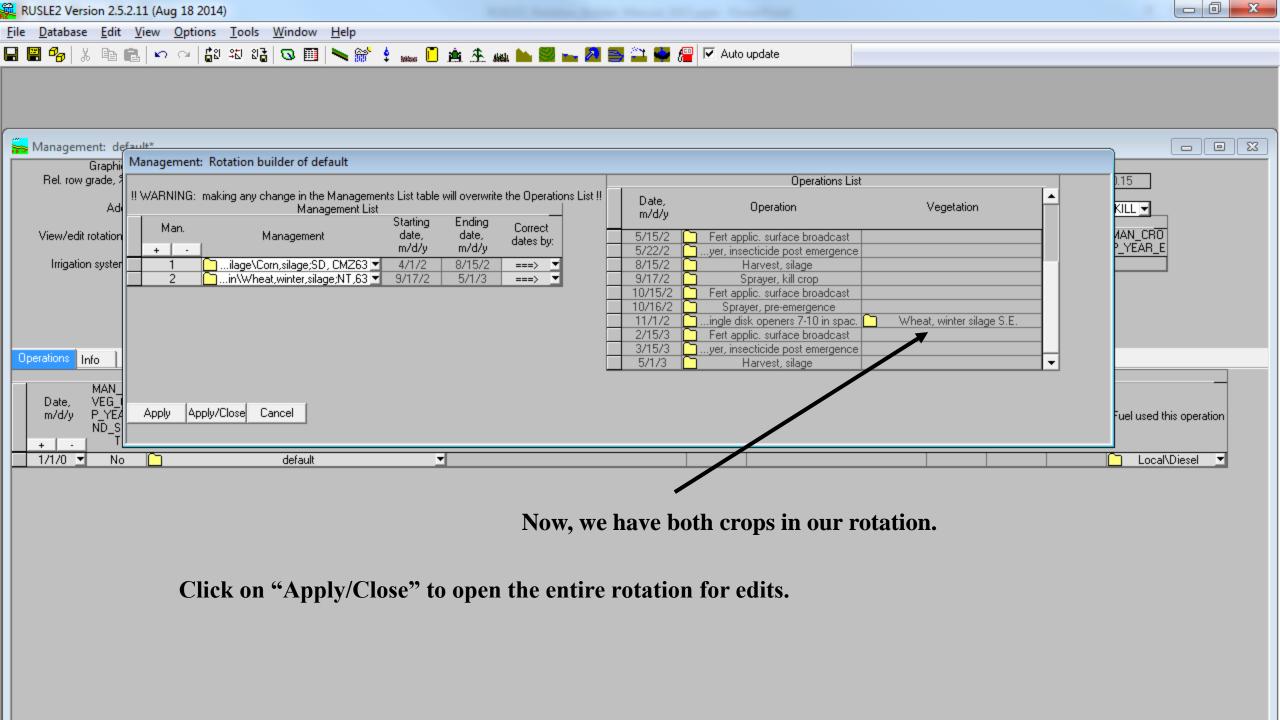


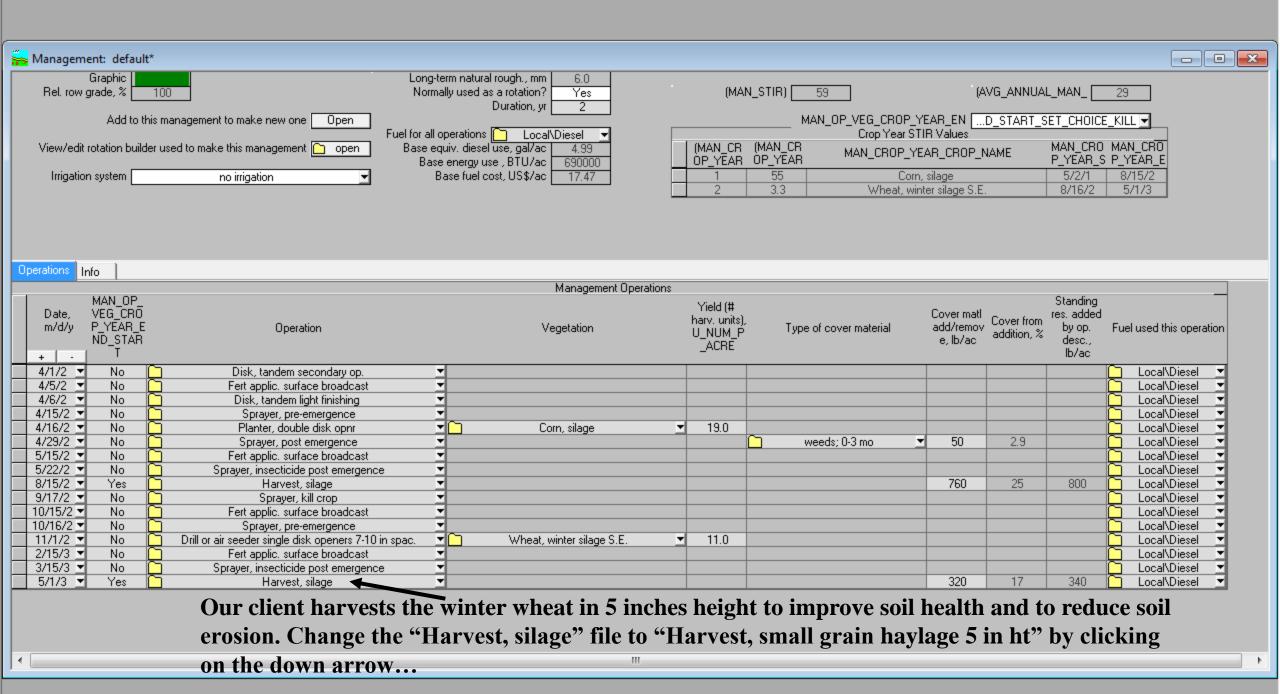


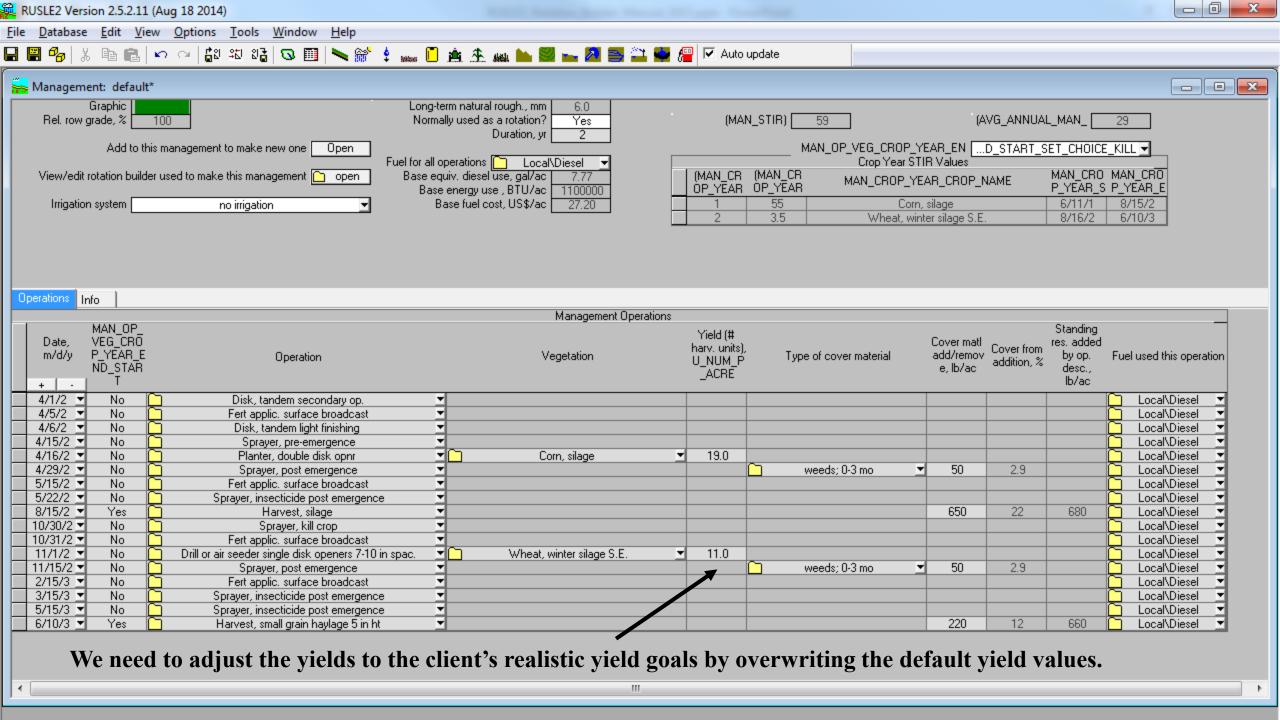


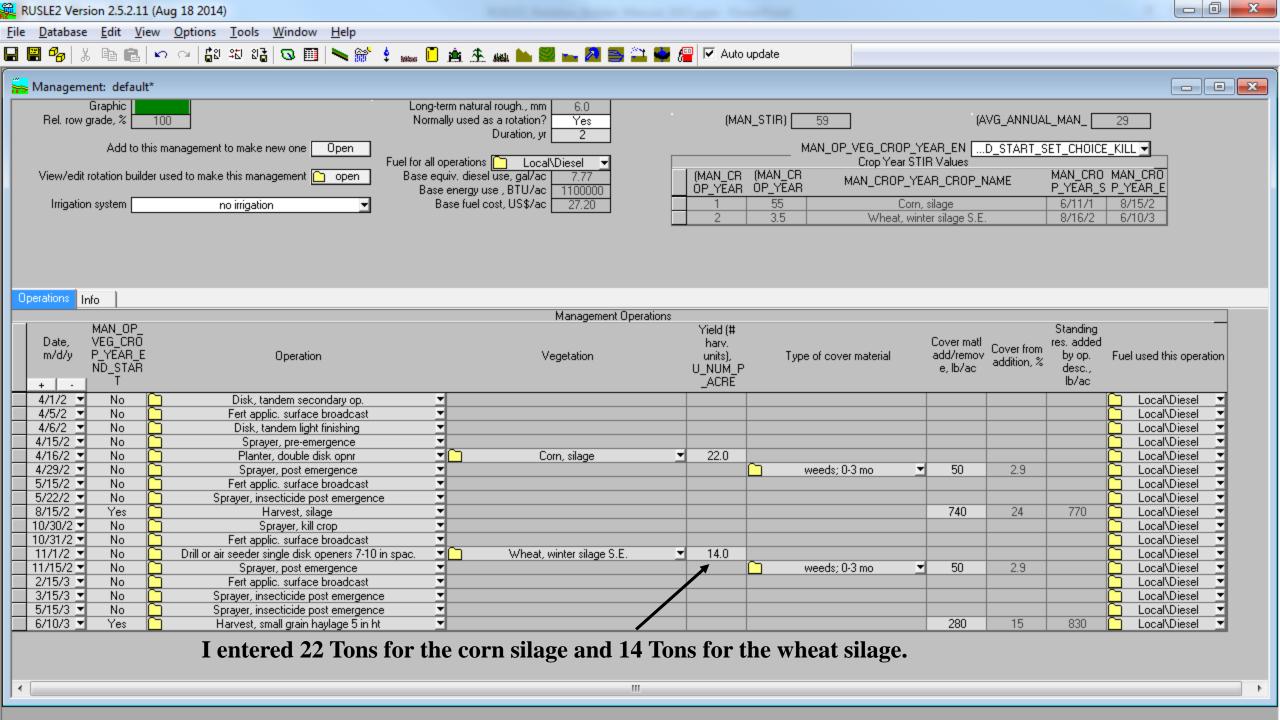




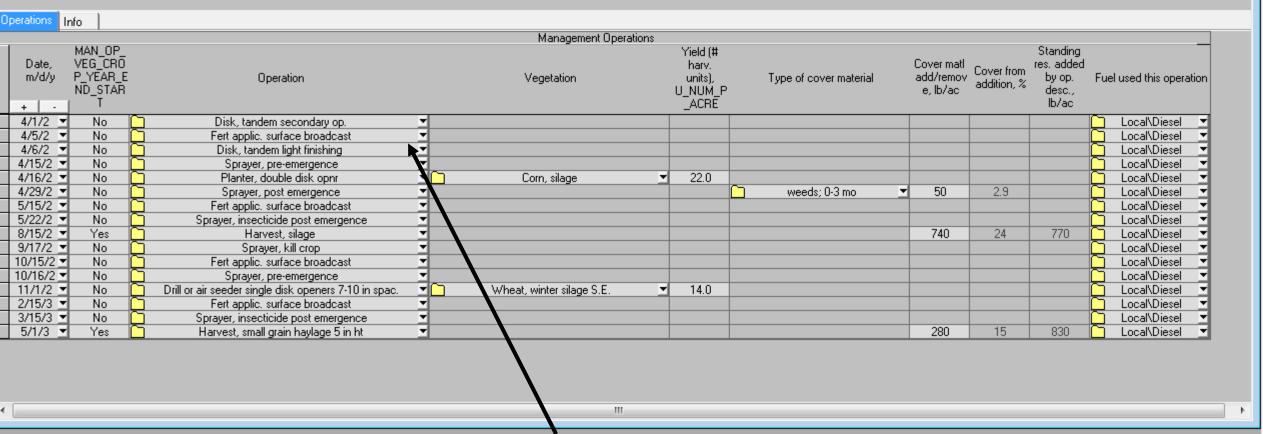






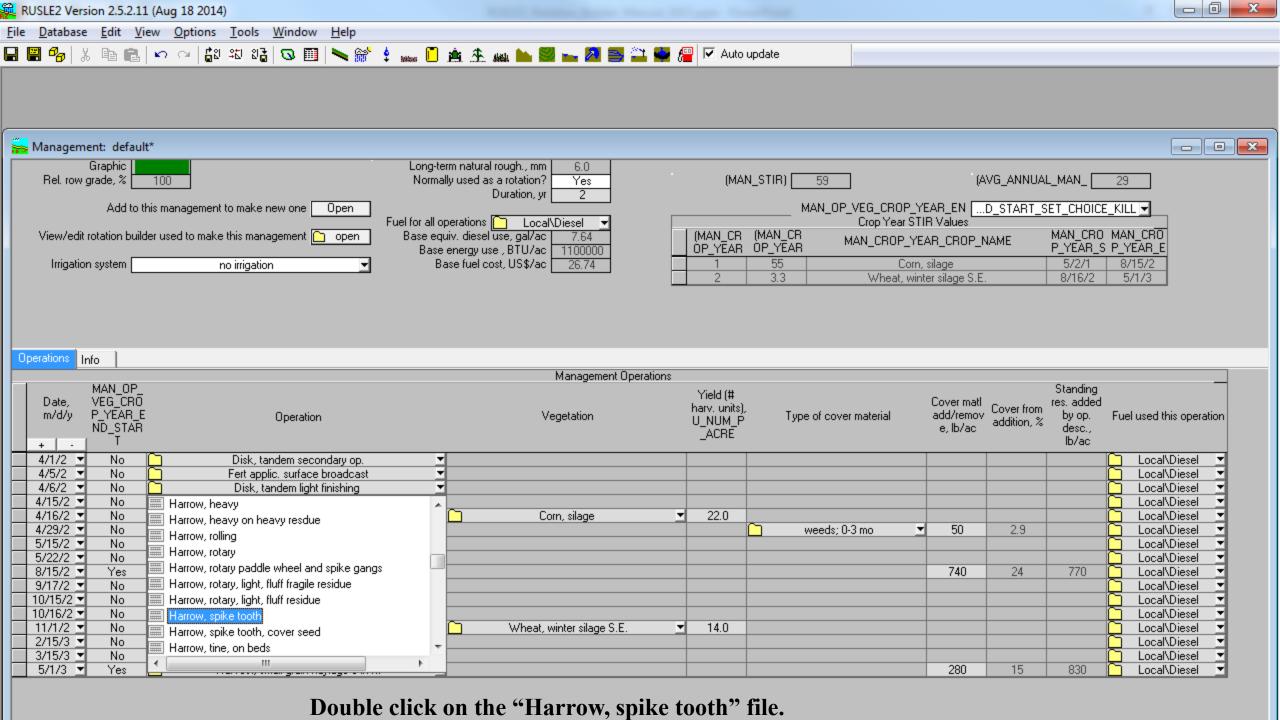


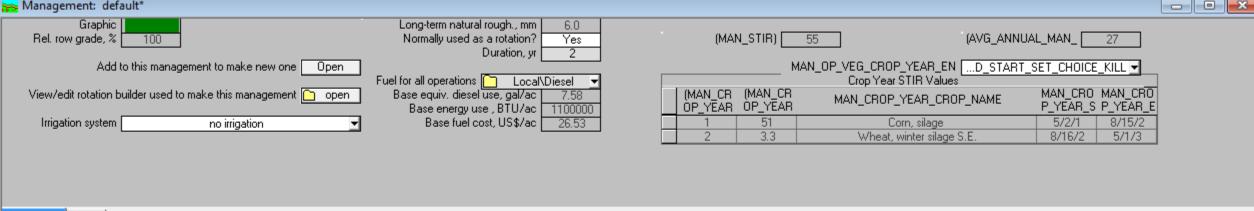
viewvedit rotation bu	ilder dsed to make this management open	Base energy use , BTU/ac				OP_YEAR	MAN_CROP_YEAR_CROP_NAME		P_YEAR_E
Irrigation system	no irrigation	Base fuel cost, US\$/ac	26.74	1 🗆	1	55	Corn, silage	5/2/1	8/15/2
_		•		_	2	3.3	Wheat, winter silage S.E.	8/16/2	5/1/3



We need to change the second disking operation (4/6/2) to a spike tooth harrow operation to match our client's actual tillage implementation schedule.

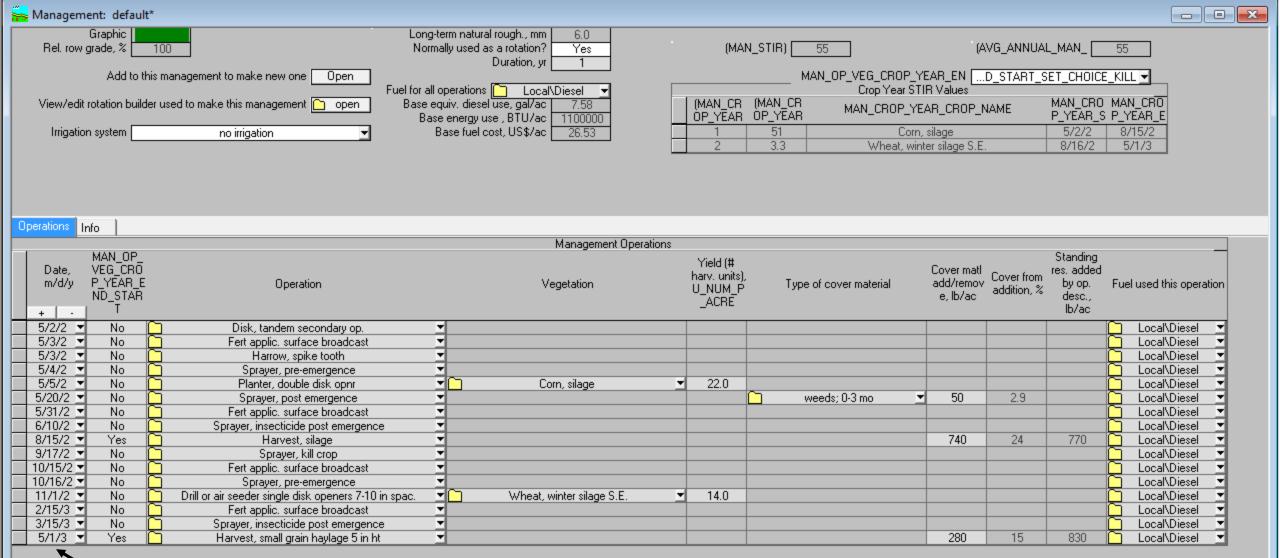
Click on the down arrow and find the "Harrow, spike tooth" file and double click on it.





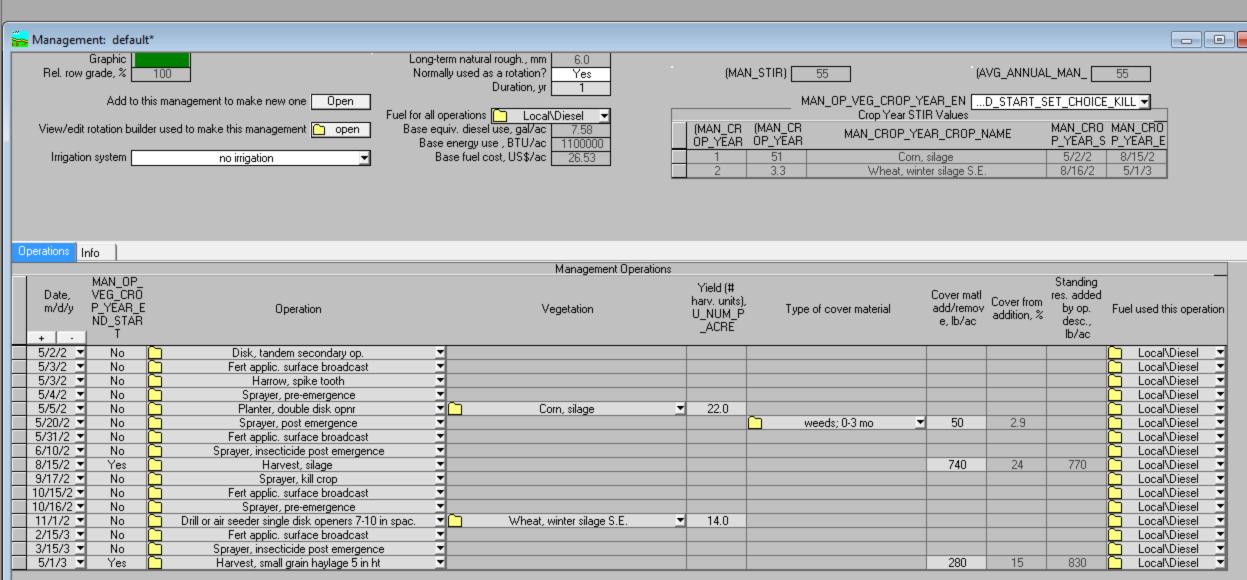
Operations	Info											
Management Operations												
Date, m/d/y + -	MAN_OP_ VEG_CRO P_YEAR_E ND_STAR T	Operation	Vegetation	Yield (# harv. units). U_NUM_P _ACRE		Cover matl add/remov e, lb/ac	Cover from addition, %	Standing res. added by op. desc., lb/ac	Fuel used this operation			
4/1/2	No No	Disk, tandem secondary op.	<u> </u>						Local\Diesel 🗾			
4/5/2	No No	Fert applic, surface broadcast	<u> </u>						🗀 Local\Diesel 👱			
4/6/2	No No	Harrow, spike tooth	<u> </u>						🗀 Local\Diesel 👱			
4/15/2		Sprayer, pre-emergence	T						🗀 Local\Diesel 🗾			
4/16/2		Planter, double disk opnr	▼ Corn, silage	 22.0					🗀 Local\Diesel 🗾			
4/29/2		Sprayer, post emergence	▼		weeds; 0-3 mo	⊻ 50	2.9		🗀 Local\Diesel 💌			
5/15/2	r No	Fert applic, surface broadcast	T						Local\Diesel 🗾			
5/22/2	r No	Sprayer, insecticide post emergence	T						Local\Diesel 🗾			
8/15/2	Yes	Harvest, silage	T			740	24	770	Local\Diesel 🗾			
9/17/2	r No	Sprayer, kill crop	T						Local\Diesel 🗾			
10/15/2	r No	Fert applic, surface broadcast	-						🗀 Local\Diesel 🗾			
10/16/2	No	Sprayer, pre-emergence	T						🗀 Local\Diesel 🗵			
11/1/2	No	Drill or air seeder single disk openers 7-10 in spac.	▼ 🗀 Wheat, winter silage S.	.E. <u>▼</u> 14.0					🗀 Local\Diesel 🔻			
2/15/3	No	Fert applic, surface broadcast	T						🗀 Local\Diesel 🔻			
3/15/3	No	Sprayer, insecticide post emergence	-						Local\Diesel			
5/1/3	Yes	Harvest, small grain haylage 5 in ht	*			280	15	830	Local\Diesel 🗾			

We have a conflict with the starting date (4/1/2) and finishing date (5/1/3) of the crop rotation. The finishing date should be earlier then the starting date to make the crop rotation fluent. Lets adjust the dates to have a continuous crop rotation without a fallow year.

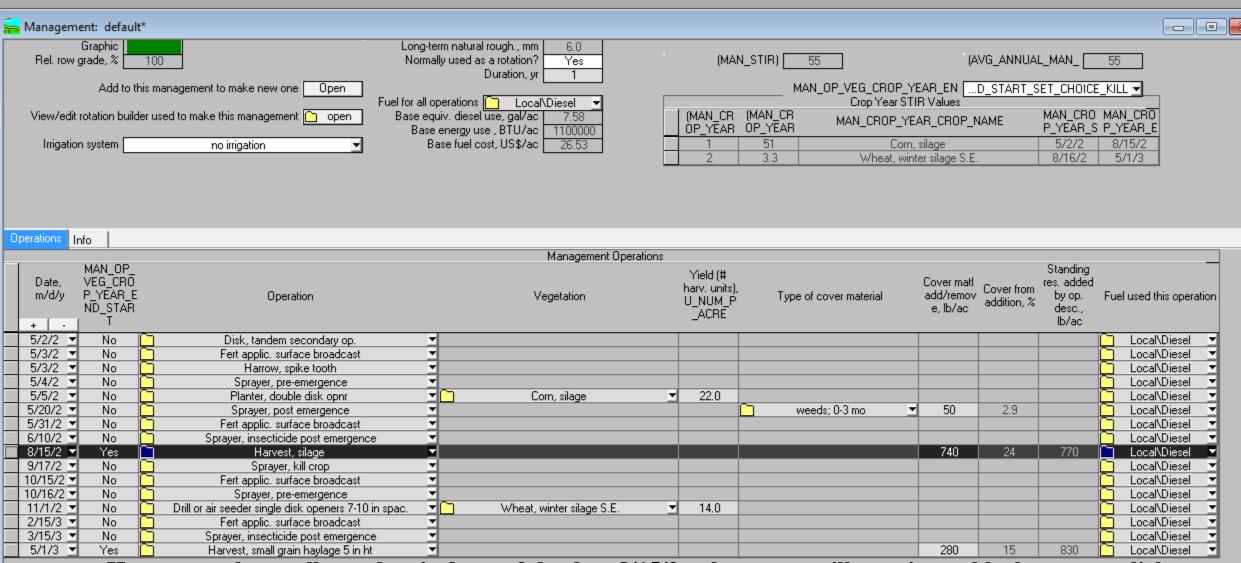


I adjusted the operation dates to have a fluent continuous crop rotation without a fallow year.

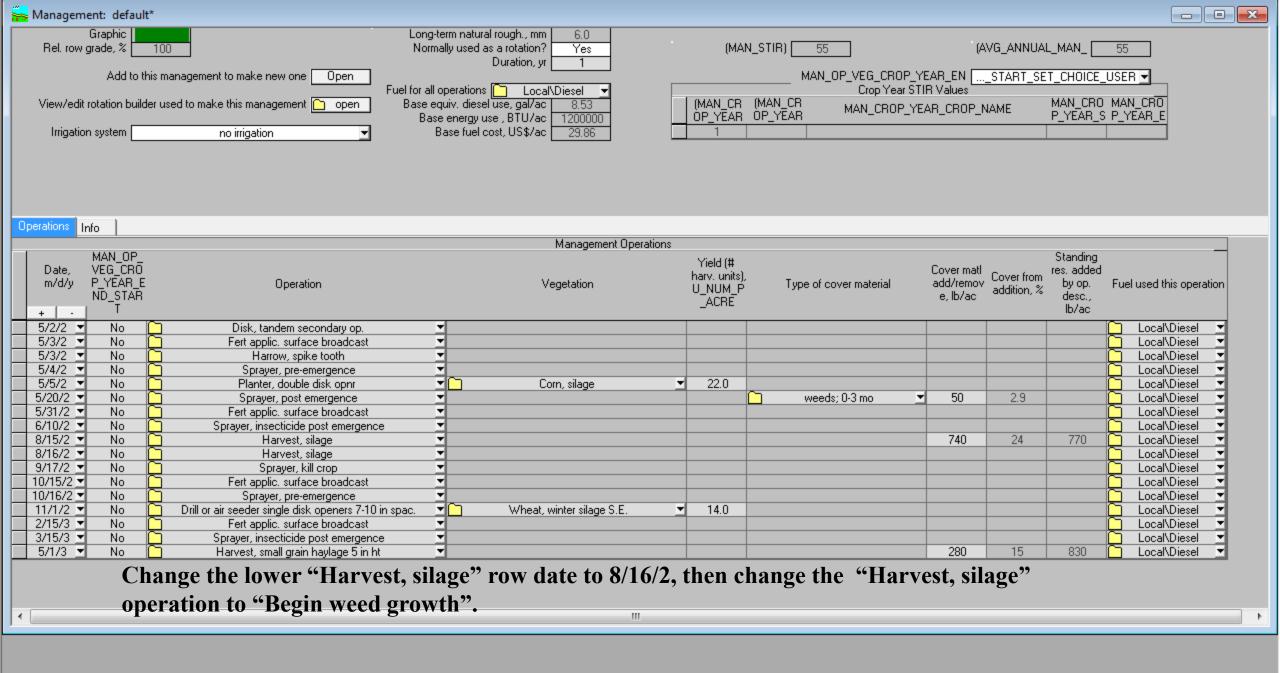
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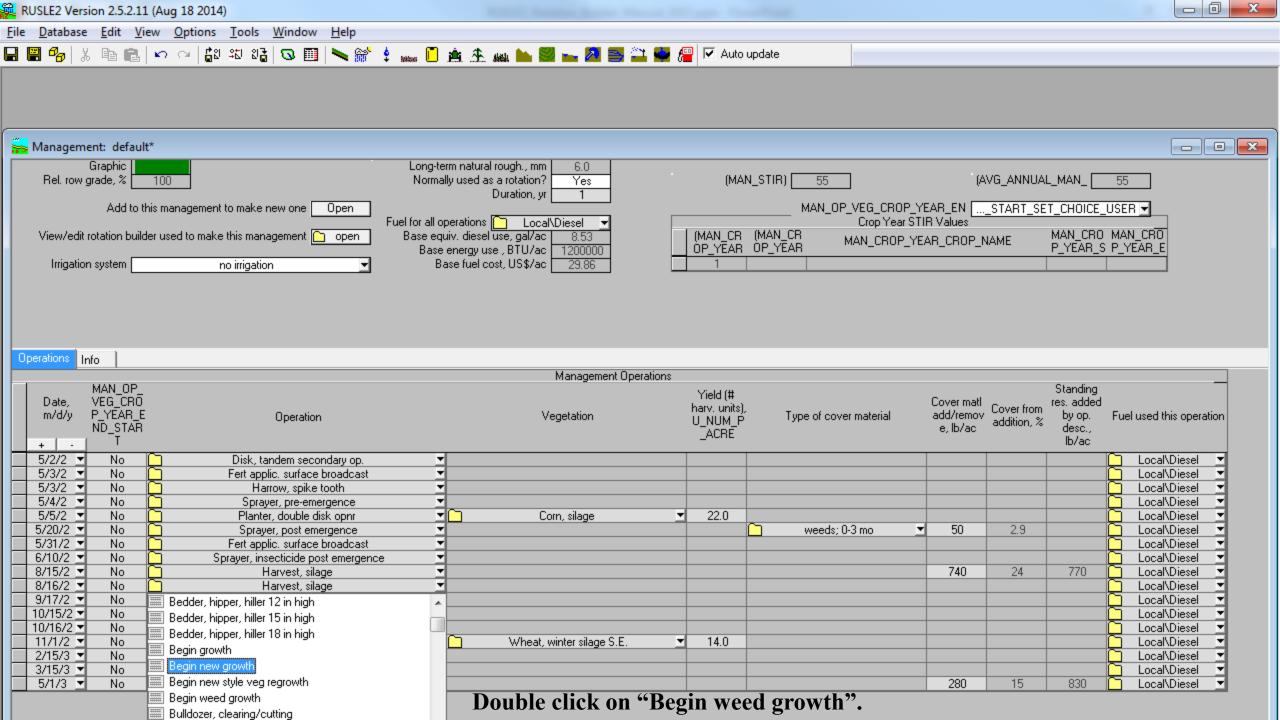


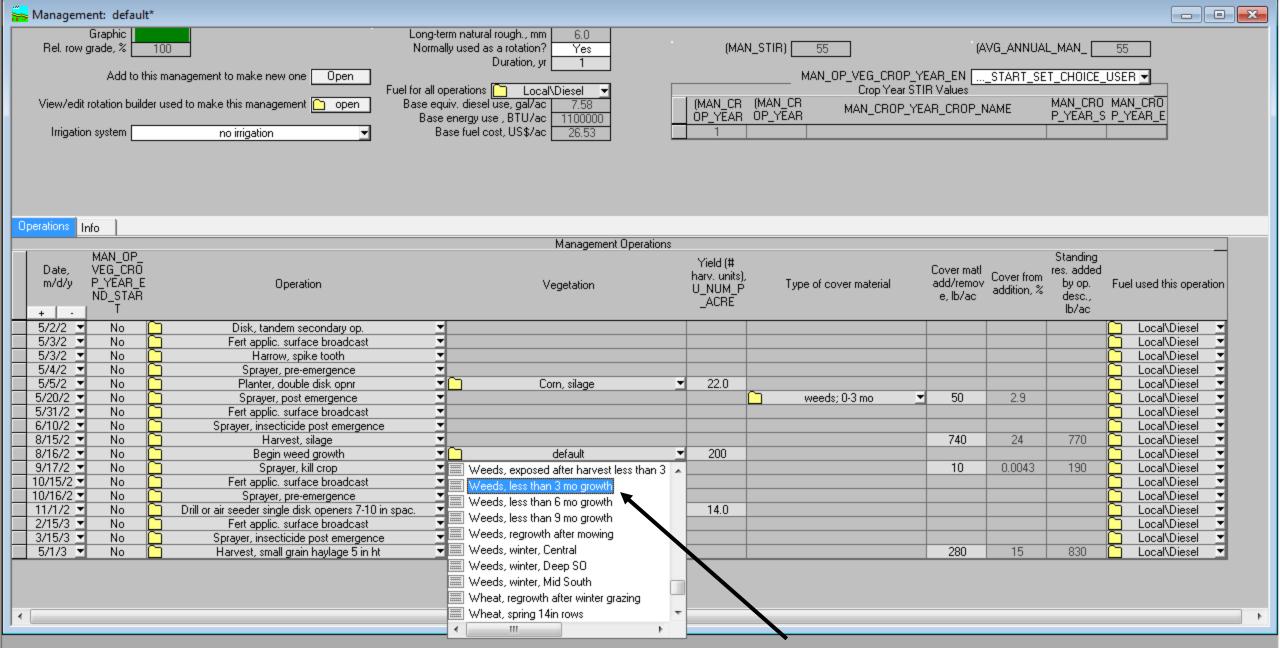
Notice the time between the corn silage harvest and the wheat planting. We should take credit for the weed growth during this period that gives ground cover and reduces soil erosion.



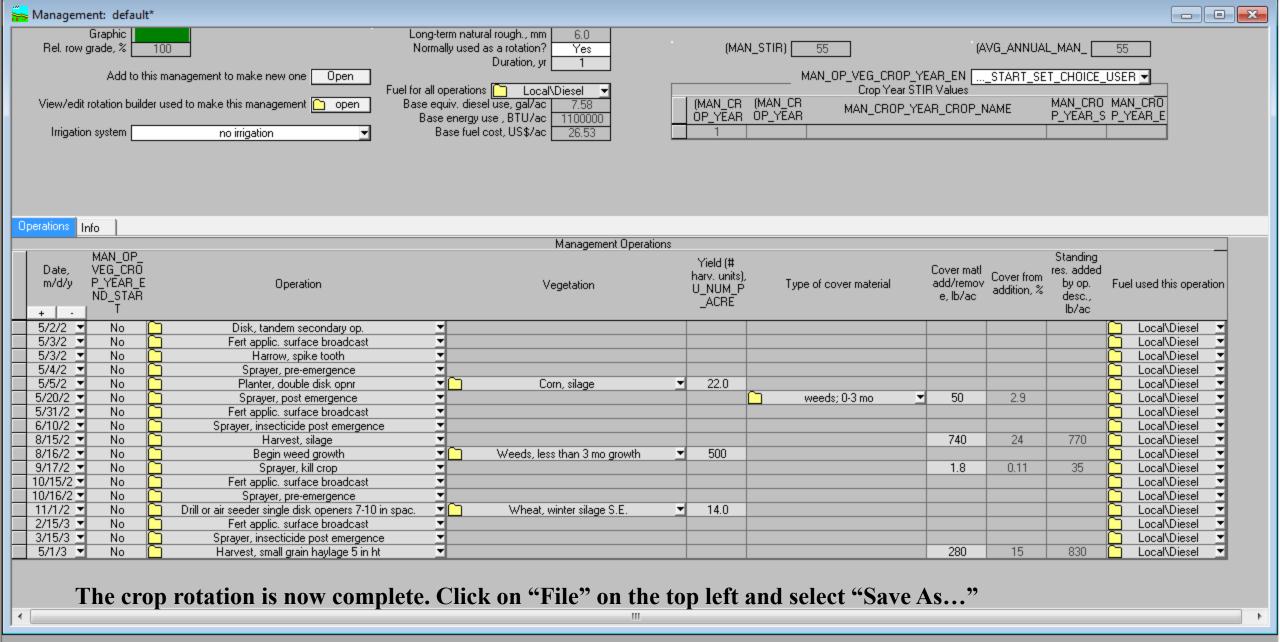
Hover over the small grey box in front of the date 8/15/2 – the cursor will turn into a black arrow – click on that grey box and the whole row will become highlighted. Now, click on the + button above the dates to duplicate that highlighted row.

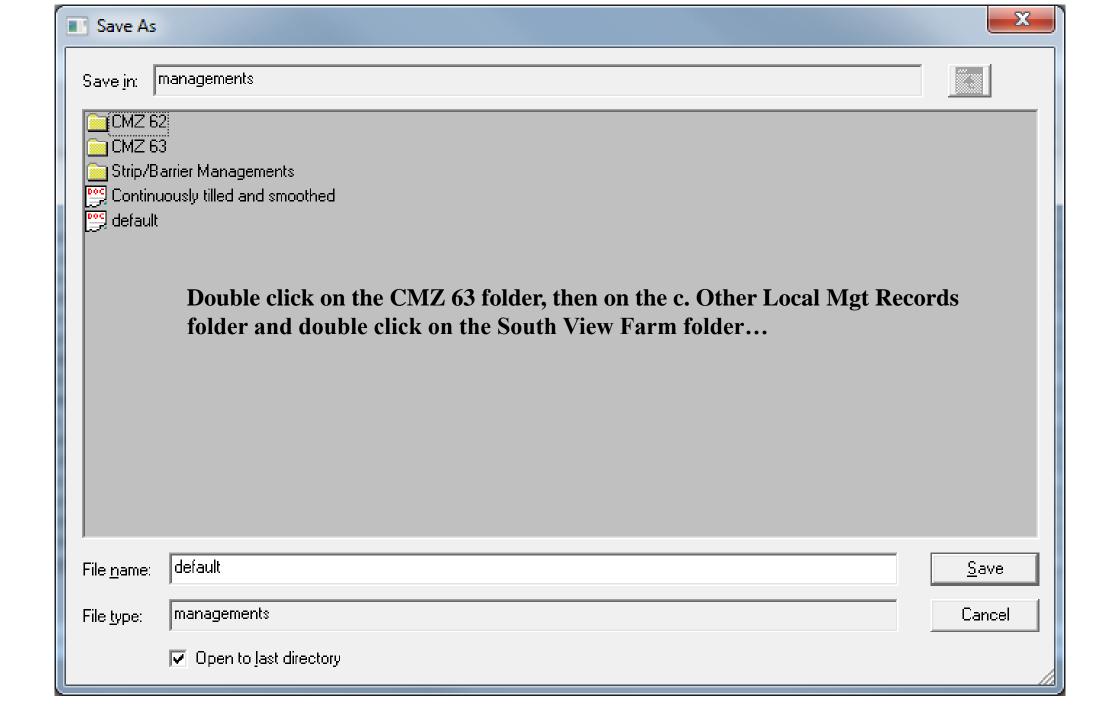


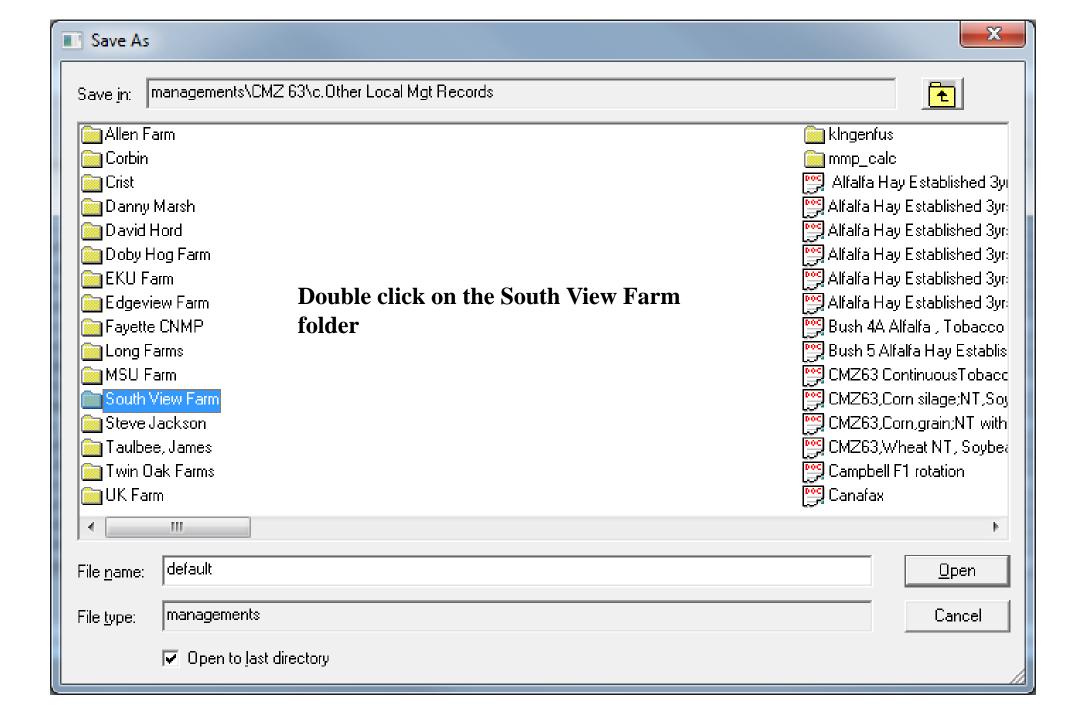


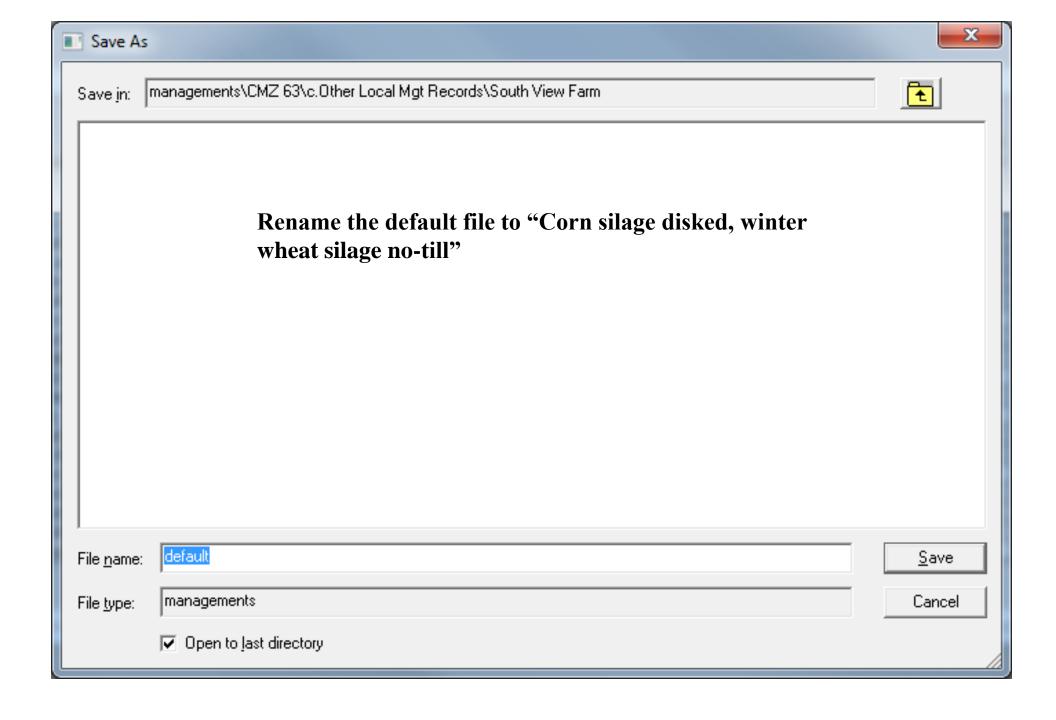


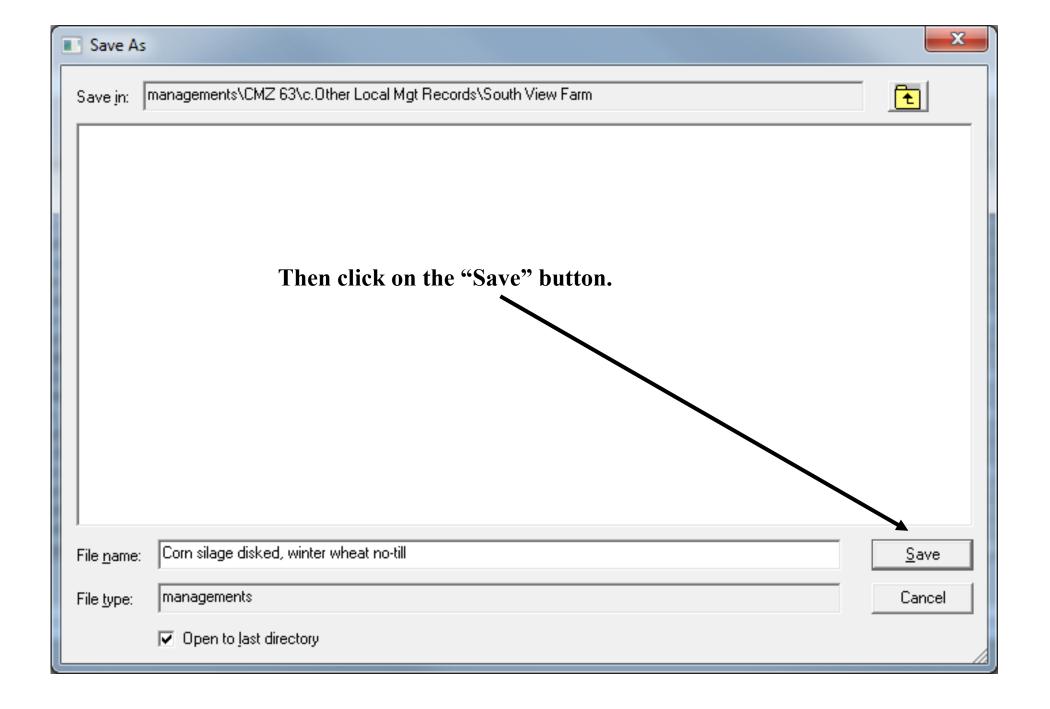
Change the "default" vegetation file to "Weeds, less than 3 mo growth".

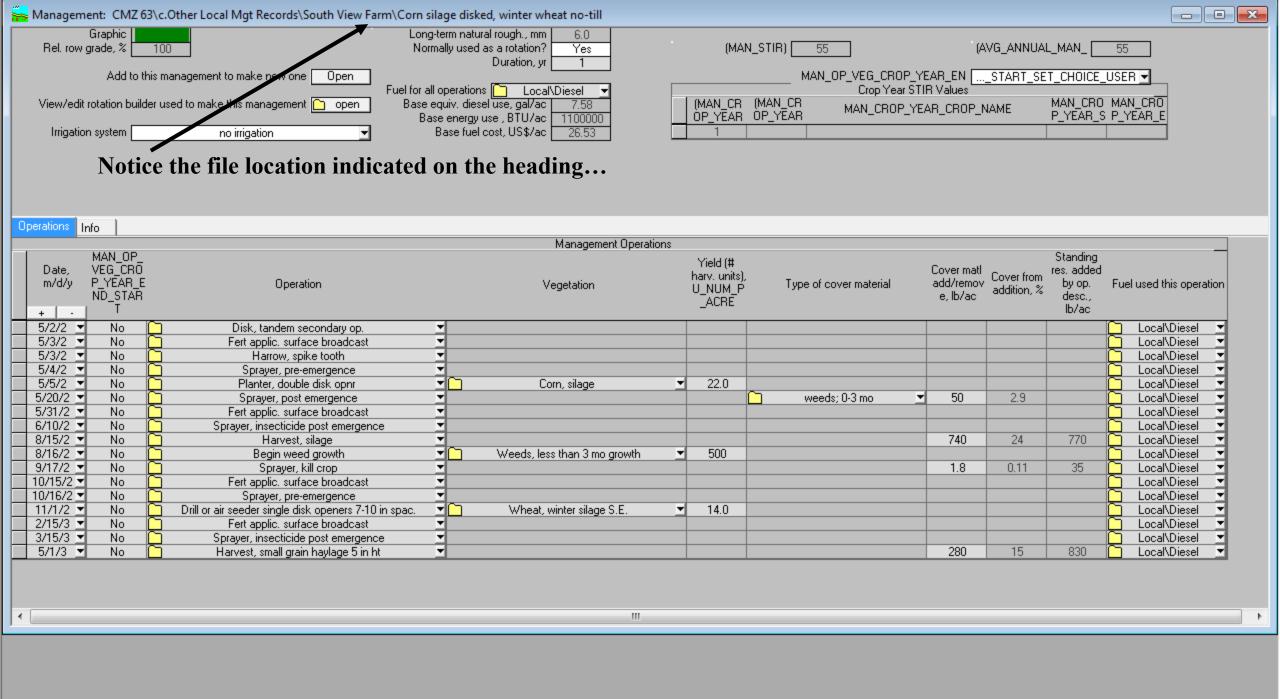












With the crop rotation complete, we are ready to conduct some soil erosion predictions using the RUSLE2 Worksheet.

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